

Interview Summary

Application No. 09/671,363	Applicant(s) RACUNAS
Examiner DARYL C. POPE	Group Art Unit 2632

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) DARYL C. POPE

(3) _____

(2) ROBERT RACUNAS

(4) _____

Date of Interview Jan 8, 2002

Type: a) Telephonic b) Video Conference
c) Personal [copy is given to 1) Applicant 2) applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No. If yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: 21-40

Identification of prior art discussed:

MANION(6,037,880)

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

THE APPLICANT PRESENTED ARGUMENTS AS TO HOW THE CLAIMED INVENTION WAS NOT MET BY THE PRIOR ART OF RECORD. THE EXAMINER AGREED THAT IT APPEARS THAT THE PRIOR ART DOES NOT READ ON THE CLAIMED SUBJECT MATTER, AND SUGGESTED THE APPLICANT SUBMIT A REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION. THE EXAMINER WILL PROVIDE AN UPDATED SEARCH, AND IF PERTINENT PRIOR ART IS FOUND, BUT PATENTABLE SUBJECT MATTER IS AVAILABLE, THE EXAMINER WILL CONTACT THE APPLICANT AND SUGGEST AMENDMENTS TO PLACE THE APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

DARYL POPE
PRIMARY EXAMINER

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Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.